

By Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GALLEGLY, and Mr. LYNCH):

H.R. 987. A bill to amend section 5542 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that any hours worked by Federal firefighters under a qualified trade-of-time arrangement shall be excluded for purposes of determinations relating to overtime pay; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. TIPTON, and Mr. SHERMAN):

H.R. 988. A bill to authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement minimum and enhanced DNA collection processes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, and Mr. SARBANES):

H.R. 989. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require, at the option of a State, drug manufacturers to pay rebates to State prescription drug discount programs as a condition of participation in a rebate agreement for outpatient prescription drugs under the Medicaid program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 990. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow the importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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H.R. 991. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. KUCINICH (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mr. STARK, Mr. PAUL, Mr. FILLNER, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HONDA, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. CONYERS):

H. Con. Res. 28. Concurrent resolution directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. POE of Texas (for himself, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. JONES, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. NUGENT, and Mr. GINGREY of Georgia):

H. Con. Res. 29. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that State and local governments should be supported for taking actions to discourage illegal immigration and that legislation should be enacted to ease the burden on State and local governments for taking such actions; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. HENSARLING:

H. Res. 155. A resolution electing a Member to a Standing Committee of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. KUCINICH:

H. Res. 156. A resolution calling for an environmental and social responsibility amendment to the United States Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ELLISON:

H. Res. 157. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a Global Marshall Plan holds the potential to demonstrate the commitment of the United

States to peace and prosperity through poverty reduction in the United States and abroad; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. ISRAEL:

H. Res. 158. A resolution expressing support for the goals and ideals of National Patient Safety Awareness Week; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California (for himself, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. SHULER, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. WOLF, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H. Res. 159. A resolution condemning al Shabaab for its practice of child conscription in the Horn of Africa; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BISHOP of New York:

H.R. 964.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3.

By Ms. SLAUGHTER:

H.R. 965.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clauses 1, 3, and 18 of Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas:

H.R. 966.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority on which this legislation is based is found in Article I, Section 8, Clause 9; Article III, Section 1, Clause 1; and Article III, Section 2, Clause 2, of the Constitution, which grant Congress authority over federal courts.

By Mrs. SCHMIDT:

H.R. 967.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. McKEON:

H.R. 968.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to "provide for the common defense," "make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water," "raise and support armies," and "provide and maintain a navy," as enumerated in Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. PRICE of Georgia:

H.R. 969.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Current law has created an unconstitutional regulatory structure over the health care system. In order to make this system more compatible with a proper Constitutional structure, this bill will ensure that there is less regulation impeding the doctor-patient relationship.

By Mr. HALL:

H.R. 970.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 and Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

By Ms. BALDWIN:

H.R. 971.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 3 and 18 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. ROE of Tennessee:

H.R. 972.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. ADAMS:

H.R. 973.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article III, Section 2—The judicial Power shall extend to all Cases, in Law and Equity, arising under this Constitution, the Laws of the United States, and Treaties made, or which shall be made, under their Authority

By Mr. BRALEY of Iowa:

H.R. 974.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. DAVIS of Illinois:

H.R. 975.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Civil Rights Enforcement: Fourteenth Amendment, Sections 1 and 5—Section 1: All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws. . . . Section 5: The Congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

Spending Authorization: Article I, Section 8, Clause 1—The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States.

By Mr. DENHAM:

H.R. 976.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2: The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

Specifically regarding Public Lands: Federal and State Powers Thereover, "The comprehensive authority of Congress over public lands includes the power to prescribe the times, conditions, and mode of transfer thereof and to designate the persons to whom the transfer shall be made, to declare the dignity and effect of titles emanating from the United States . . . (Gibson v. Chouteau, 80 U.S. (13 Wall.) 92, 99 (1872))"

By Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan:

H.R. 977.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article IV, Section 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. ISRAEL:

H.R. 978.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: